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## PATENT APPLICATION

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YOICHI SAKAMOTO		; )	Group Art Unit: 2622
Application No.: 10/764,579		)	Group Fat Clin. 2022
Filed: January 27, 2004		: ) :	
For:	PRINTING SYSTEM,	)	
	INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD,	:	
	AND COMPUTER PROGRAM	:	
	AND COMPUTER-READABLE	)	
	STORAGE MEDIUM	:	August 18, 2004

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant respectfully directs the Examiner's attention to Japan 3296226, which is listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of Japan 3296226 is enclosed.

Japan 3296226 is discussed in the specification at page 1 and might be deemed pertinent for the reasons given therein. An English-language abstract for Japan 3296226 also is enclosed.

Inasmuch as the subject application has not yet received a first Office

Action, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R.

§ 1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety

and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the

claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information

has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa,

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